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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re Application of: Shizhong Duan

Ser. No. 10/001,408

Group Art Unit: 1731

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RESPONSE TO A RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT TRANSMITTED BY FACSIMILE

Hon. Commissioner  
For Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Action (Paper No. 3) dated January 9, 2003 for the above identified application which said that a restriction is required under 35 U.S.C. 121 to one of the following two inventions:

I. Claims 1-11, 34-37 ("Group I"); or

II. Claims 12-33 ("Group II")

applicant hereby elects to prosecute in this application the claims of Group I. Applicant hereby cancels in this application the claims of Group II and reserves the right to file a divisional application claiming priority from this application for those claims.


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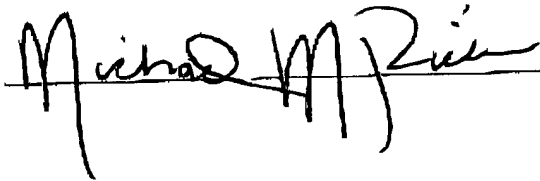
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